◆ September Birthdays: (9) Katherine (Kate) Hajda 2016, (18) Nathan LeFeber, (20) Annie Hooton, (21) Zane Johnson 2010, (26) Lori Wimmer, (29) Jason Remm, Charis Wood 2006

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- ◆ That God would give us wisdom and boldness to share the love of Christ with our neighbors.
- ◆ Presbytery: Harvest Church (Pastors Jacob Gerber and Andrew Lightner); and Grace Central (Pastors Eric Tonjes and Tim Janiszewski) in Omaha.
- ♦ Missions: Rick and Betty Aschmann MTW Ecuador
- ◆For our mothers with newly born children: Megan Holl (Moses James born 8/5), Bethany Remm (Brooklynn Grace born 7/28).

STAFF

Pastors: Chad Anderson (Senior), David Salyer (Associate)

Elders: Michael Freitag, David Holl, Tory Hooton, Jordan Hughett, David Lano **Deacons:** Josh Goodbrake (Offerings and Service), Josiah Holl (Offerings and

Mercy), Micah Holl (Facilities), Doug Sykes (Chair)

WIC: Kacia Hughett (President), Servant Support (Julie LeFeber), Vacant (Nursery), Sarah Salyer (Secretary, Christian Growth), Jen Zimmerman (Missions/Outreach), Megan Holl (Kitchen), Kristin Holl (Women's Events),

Karen Salyer (Church Fellowship)

Youth Group: Eric Wood Custodian: Charlotte Hajda

WORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

What is the Assurance of Forgiveness?

After we humble ourselves during the time of confession, the Lord then lifts our heads and forgives us. The pastor calls us to rise. He proclaims the gospel ("good news") clearly and directly: that Jesus Christ has died for us and been resurrected for us, to pay the penalty for our sin and to secure for us eternal life.

The pastor then declares that all who trust in Jesus have indeed been forgiven of their sins. He often invokes God's Triune name ("Your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."), which reminds us of our baptism, the sign and seal of the cleansing we have in Jesus (Acts 2:38, 22:16). Each week, during the assurance of forgiveness, we return to that baptismal promise: we are clothed with Christ and forgiven in Him (Gal. 3:27).

The pastor does not have special power in himself to remit sins, but he has been ordained to speak God's Word to God's people and to proclaim the Gospel (Matt. 18:18; John 20:23). Only God can forgive our sins against Him. But God chooses to speak that forgiveness through ordained ministers who serve as his representatives. The minister's word is God's Word to us, in so far as he is simply proclaiming what the Scriptures teach.



August 17th, 2025

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Announcements

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 113:1-3

†Congregational Singing

"Song of Moses"

†Responsive Scriptures

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Who made heaven and earth.

†Collect

Let Your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

†Congregational Singing

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

Hebrews 10:19-22

Silent Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God

according to your steadfast love;

according to your abundant mercy

blot out my transgressions.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you only, have I sinned

and done what is evil in your sight,

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence,

and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

and uphold me with a willing spirit.

†Assurance of Forgiveness

†Congregational Singing

"Our Great God"

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading
Epistle Reading
TGospel Reading
TProfession of Faith
Romans 11:33-12:2
Luke 15:11-13, 17-28a
Heidelberg Catechism Q1
Sermon
Pastor Chad Anderson

"Beloved"

Offertory

†Doxology #625 (a cappella)

†Prayer of the Church

...let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

†The Lord's Prayer

Taught by Our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray:

Our Father who art in Heaven...

GOD STRENGTHENS US AT HIS TABLE

All who are baptized and trust in Jesus Christ are invited to share the Lord's Supper. Baptized children are welcomed to the Supper once they have been admitted by the Elders.

If you do not trust in Jesus, please allow the bread and cup to pass you by. If you desire to follow Jesus and share in His Feast, please speak with one of our pastors after the service.

The outer ring contains wine. All other cups contain grape juice. Take your portion, pass the rest to your neighbor, then eat and drink as soon as you desire.

During the passing of the cup, we encourage you to offer words of blessing to your neighbors such as: "May the Peace of Christ be with you" (Jn. 14:27), and the response: "And also with you."

Declaration of God's Invitation and Promises

Prayers and Distribution †Congregational Singing

"Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response

#628 IV "Threefold Amen"

Postlude

Worship Leader: Pastor Chad Anderson **Nursery Volunteers:** Anne Lano

CHURCH LIFE

Sunday, August 17th - *The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost* 10:30 a.m. . . . Worship Service After service . . . Fellowship Meal - Giving Thanks for the Andersons

- ◆ Josiah and Megan are pleased to announce **Moses James Holl** arrived Tuesday, August 5. Give God glory for the gift of Moses!
- ◆ Jason and Bethany are pleased to announce **Brooklynn Grace Remm** arrived Monday, July 28 morning at 11:37am. She was 7lb 13oz 21 1/4". Everyone is doing well! Give God glory for the gift of Brooklynn!
- ◆Pastor Chad has accepted a position with CommonSpirit Health (parent company of Good Samaritan Hospital) as Director of Mission Integration.
 August 17th will be Chad's last Sunday with us as Pastor. After that service we will serve a fellowship meal with a time to give thanks and to bless and encourage the Anderson family.
- ◆ To celebrate the Andersons, we're putting together a heartfelt **photo and memory gift** to send them off with joy! We invite you to contribute a special card keepsake (cards provided). Attach a photo of your family or a favorite moment shared with the Andersons! Inside, write a kind note sharing your gratitude, a fun memory, or a message from your heart. Drop off completed cards at the designated box in the foyer by August 10. If you have questions, contact Sarah Salyer.
- **♦ Sunday School** Classes for Children and Adults are set to resume Sunday, September 7th at 9:00 a.m.
- ◆ Share the Arrows Women's Conference Oct. 11, 2025 Dallas, TX Join a group of TPC women, hear from the boldest, most steadfast Christian voices of our day, and leave feeling fully equipped to tackle the lies and obstacles the world throws at us. Interested? Speak to Kristin Holl and visit: www.sharethearrows.com.
- ◆ Financial Report: Budgeted need each week: \$4,392.91. Budgeted need year-to-date: \$136,180.21. Received 8/3: \$5,216.54. Received year-to-date: \$125,022.32.
- ◆ August Birthdays: (22) Nancy Larsen, (25) Amy Freitag, (26) Gary Elliott, (27) Josiah Wood 2008